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Find God and Get a Second Birthday (Born Again!)

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By [Dianne Neal Matthews](#):

When born again as children of God, we become part of his family.



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Recently I celebrated my birthday. I'm certainly not the only one to celebrate that. It's estimated that approximately eleven thousand babies are born each day in the United States alone. Estimates of the birthrate for the entire world go as high as 370,000 daily. On any

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given day of the year, there are thousands of people receiving cards and gifts, enjoying dinners and parties with friends, and blowing out candles on cakes.

While I annually celebrate my physical birth, I also acknowledge a much more important anniversary—my spiritual birthday. Jesus told a teacher of the law that in order to be part of God's Kingdom, we must go through a second birth. Confused, Nicodemus asked how an old man could be born again, since he was unable to enter his mother's womb (John 3:4). Jesus replied,

"I tell you the truth, unless you are born again, you cannot see the Kingdom of God."
John 3:3 (NLT)

Jesus explained that this second birth is of the Spirit, not another physical birth. When we accept Jesus as our Savior and Lord, God places his Spirit within us. We are then born again as children of God, and we become part of his family. That moment in time marks the beginning of our new, eternal life and transforms us into a brand-new creation.

Everyone who has ever lived has a birthday on which he or she received the gift of life. Believers have a second, greater birthday—the day they chose to receive the gift of eternal life. So when I'm spending time with family or friends and enjoying the blessings of the day on my birthday, I'm most grateful for the gift I received on the day I was reborn!

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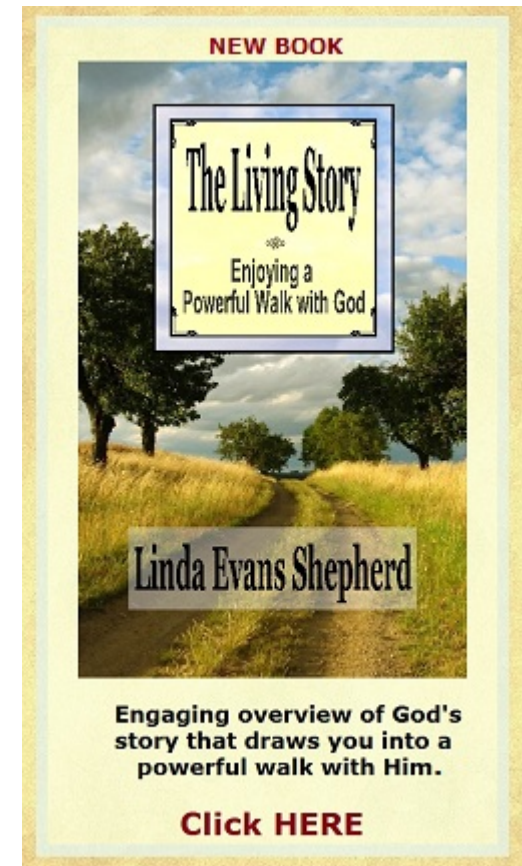
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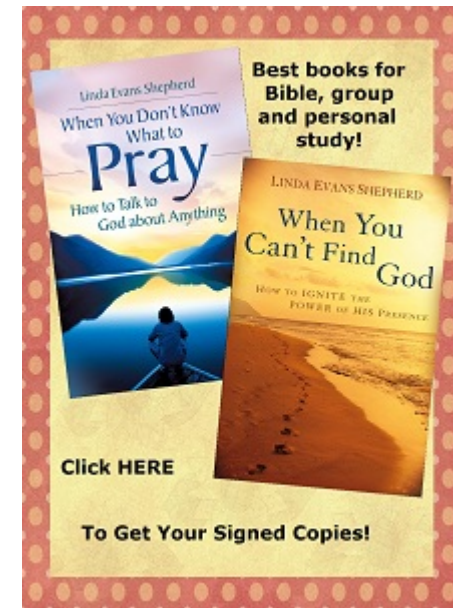
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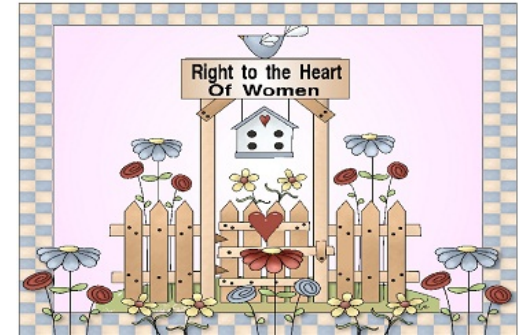
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